

Appl. No.
Amdt. dated November 3, 2004
Preliminary Amendment

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The amendments to the specification are made to correct errors in the translation of the Japanese specification. These errors are either apparent when read in light of the context of the specification or are merely typographical or clerical in nature. Accordingly, these amendments add no new matter.

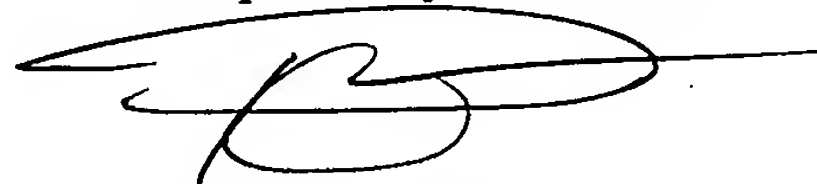
Claims 1, 3, 9-13, 17-38, 40, 46-50, and 54-77 are canceled and Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional or continuation application directed to the canceled claims.

Claims 2, 4-8, 14-16, 39, 41-45 and 51-53 are pending in this application.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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